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AFFIRMING THE SIX MONTH SUNSET DATE FOR THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

On June 25, 2013, the Board of Supervisors (Board) passed a motion creating the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection to review and make recommendations on various systemic issues surrounding child protection in Los Angeles County. Subsequently, it appointed an experienced and committed group of individuals to serve on the Commission.

The original Board motion directed that Commission members serve six months and that the Commission submit a final report by the end of the calendar year, at which time the Commission would sunset. The Chief Executive Officer was tasked with creating a budget for staff and Commission expenses. The Commission became fully staffed on October 18, 2013 with the hiring of the Executive Director and support staff.

The Commission's Chair and Co-Vice Chairs are requesting that the Commission's final report be due on April 18, 2014, which is six months from the date of hiring Commission staff. Any time period short of this would prevent the Commission

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from devoting the level of study, investigation, thought and discussion that needs to take place in order to arrive at thoughtful and implementable solutions. There would be no fiscal impact to allowing the Commission to continue its work.

The Commission will provide the Board, an interim report that summarizes its activities to date, as well as some of its initial findings and recommendations on December 31, 2013.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** Affirm the sunset review date for the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection be April 18, 2014, at which time a full report with recommendations will be submitted.

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